

BE A SOWER OF SEEDS



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Teach a child in your life how to be a
SOWER of seeds, share their
contagious faith, and help to grow
God in others. The new children's
book, "Growing God" is now available.
A LESSON FOR A LIFETIME!

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In the storybook, "Growing God," Emma returns from time spent on her Nana's farm. It's a sacred space. It's where Nana says she grows God and that every seed holds an opportunity. Emma isn't sure what Nana means by that, but if the farm could make her heart feel so full, she wanted to grow God, too. After receiving a large box of seeds in the mail from Nana, Emma took her contagious faith and began planting.

What Emma doesn't realize is that she is a SOWER. She plants seeds, and in doing so, she spreads God's love while growing an extraordinary faith and curiosity in others. Emma encounters challenges, and It's not easy. It takes a whole lot of faith. But Emma is reminded that every seed, just like every person, every relationship, holds an opportunity to share God's love. Wait until you see what Emma grows.

How can you be a SOWER of seeds? What challenge can you take on to share God's love with others?

**Can you plant some seeds or ideas? Can you grow a garden or a project?
Can you do something that might help out your community, family, or church?**

BE A SOWER and share your project or ideas with our Growing God community for a chance to WIN a "Growing God" book.

Additionally, you can now explore our online Growing God Farm, a virtual experience inviting and sharing SOWER PROJECTS by clicking on the barn doors.

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LUKE, CHAPTER 8 - USCCB

The Parable of the Sower

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When a large crowd gathered, with people from one town after another journeying to him, he spoke in a parable.*

5“A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path and was trampled, and the birds of the sky ate it up.

6Some seed fell on rocky ground, and when it grew, it withered for lack of moisture.

7Some seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it.

8And some seed fell on good soil, and when it grew, it produced fruit a hundredfold.” After saying this, he called out, “Whoever has ears to hear ought to hear.”d

The Purpose of the Parables.

9Then his disciples asked him what the meaning of this parable might be.

10He answered, “Knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of God has been granted to you; but to the rest, they are made known through parables so that ‘they may look but not see, and hear but not understand.’f

The Parable of the Sower Explained.

11g “This is the meaning of the parable. The seed is the word of God.h

12Those on the path are the ones who have heard, but the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved.

13Those on rocky ground are the ones who, when they hear, receive the word with joy, but they have no root; they believe only for a time and fall away in time of trial.

14As for the seed that fell among thorns, they are the ones who have heard, but as they go along, they are choked by the anxieties and riches and pleasures of life, and they fail to produce mature fruit.

15But as for the seed that fell on rich soil, they are the ones who, when they have heard the word, embrace it with a generous and good heart, and bear fruit through perseverance.

